

HAD GOOD NIGHT'S REST!

Surgeons Will Be Able to Announce Today If There Is Hope For President.

The Assassin's Mother Told About Her Son's Strange Life Today.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 7---Spl.---Doctor Rixey stated at 7 o'clock this morning, that surgeons will be able to decide today whether or not the President's wound is likely to prove fatal.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 7---Spl.---8. a. m.---The President has passed a good night. His temperature his 102, his pulse 110, and his respiration 24.

Signed

NED RIXEY, M. D.
ROSEWELL PARK, M. D.
GEORGE R. CORTELYOU,
Sec'y. to the President.

This bulletin was issued by the physicians who were in constant attendance on the President during the night.

Czolgosz's Mother's Statement.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 7.—(Spl.)—Leon Czolgosz, as the assassin has been positively identified, lived at 306 Eleet st., this city, with his father Paul Czolgosz. He is 25 years old. His step-mother said this morning:

"Leon has been sick for three years. Before then he worked in the wire fence department of the Cleveland Rolling mills. Two weeks ago he wrote us from a town in Indiana saying that he was going far away and that we would never see him again. He was timid and sickly as a boy. He can read and write. He never had any associates here. He liked to sit by himself and mope. He has one brother, a soldier in the Philippines."

EXACT NATURE OF WOUNDS.

Their Location and the First Treatment Performed.

Buffalo, Sept. 7.—(Spl.)—Secretary Cortelyou, late last night gave out the following statement:

"The following bulletin was issued by the physicians at 7 o'clock:
"The President was shot about 4 o'clock. One bullet struck him on the upper portion of the breast bone, glancing and not penetrating. The second bullet penetrated the abdomen five inches below the left nipple and one and a half inches to the left of the median line.
"The abdomen was opened through the line of the bullet wound. It was found that the bullet had penetrated the stomach. The opening in the front wall was carefully closed with silk stitches, after which a search was made for a hole in the back wall of the stomach. This was found and also closed in the same way. The further course of the bullet could not be discovered, although careful search was made. The abdominal wound was closed without drainage. No injury to the intestines or other abdominal organ was discovered.
"The patient stood the operation well, pulse of good quality, rate of 130, and his condition at the conclusion of the operation was gratifying. The result cannot be foretold. His condition at present justifies hope of recovery."

"GEORGE R. CORTELYOU, Secretary to the President."

THE STORY

And the Facts Surrounding the Assassination.

Buffalo, Sept. 7.—(Spl.)—Yesterday was a big day in American history.

It was President's day at the Pan-American Exposition. A hundred thousand people were there, merry, interested and gay, for this was one of the very biggest days of the fair and the President was there. Thousands surged about him with

expression of loyalty and good will, or clasped his hand as he received his admirers and those who waited to clasp the hand of a President.

In the midst of this happy scene the culmination of a great exhibit of the arts of peace, the assassin's blow was struck, and now the American people, in grief and horror, at the enormity and treachery of the deed, discuss the calamity in low tones, sincerely hoping that the shots may not prove fatal.

Here as everywhere, people crowd about bulletin boards eager for the merest scrap of information about the President's condition. Almost hourly he is reported dead, on the streets, and the wildest rumors are given credence. The President was holding a reception in the Temple of Music at the time of the assassination and had shaken hands with thousands.

He was approached by a man whose left hand was covered by a white handkerchief.

As the man extended his hand to the President, apparently with the intention of shaking hands with him he fired a shot which entered Mr. McKinley's right breast, lodging against the breast bone. Another shot was fired immediately and it entered the President's abdomen.

In an instant after the shooting, Secret Service Detective Foster, who was standing within two feet of the President, threw himself upon the assassin, struck him twice and threw him to the ground. Other detectives, who were near soon had the wretch secure.

The President sank back into the arms of Detective Geary, who was near and closed his eyes. "Am I shot?" he asked of the detective.

The officer opened the President's vest and seeing the blood, replied, "I fear you are, Mr. President."

A hush had fallen over the multitude followed quickly by a tumult as the realization of what had occurred swept over them.

The man was quickly arrested, offering no resistance and was taken to a room in the Temple of Music.

At first he refused to say anything about himself, but later declared he was an anarchist and that he had con-

ly done his duty. He is a young man, poorly but neatly dressed, wore a high hat and gave the name of Fred Nieman, of Detroit, Mich.

As soon as the President was removed to the hospital a cordon of police was formed with a guard of soldiers to fight back the crowd on the Esplanade. Nieman was placed in a carriage and driven down Delaware ave. at a gallop, past the home where the President's wife was waiting for her husband, to police headquarters, where he was locked up.

The crowd about the Temple of Music surged forward as the prisoner appeared, tore down the barriers of ropes fought with the officers and soldiers and tried to get possession of the prisoner, shouting, "Kill him!" "Lynch him!" "Hang him!" Some clutched at the horses, others at the wheels of the carriage.

The police and soldiers kept them back, however, and the carriage was hurried away.

The escape of the prisoner from the crowd was in accordance with the President's wishes. "Let no one hurt him," he gasped, as he opened his eyes and saw the crowd close in. He uttered the name of Secretary Cortelyou and when the latter bent over him he said: "Be careful about my wife. Do not tell her."

Mr. McKinley sat patiently waiting until he was taken to the service hospital on the grounds.

Nine minutes after the shot was fired the President was on the operating table.

The first bullet was taken from his breast within a few minutes by Dr. Rixey, assisted by Dr. Rosewell Park. The other bullet was not located. It penetrated the abdomen five inches below the left nipple and one and a half inches to the left of the median line. The abdomen was opened through the line of the bullet wound. It was found that the bullet had penetrated the stomach.

The opening in the front wall was carefully closed with silk stitches, after which a search was made for a hole in the back wall of the stomach. This was found and also closed in the same way. The further course of the bullet could not be discovered, although careful search was made. No injury to the intestines or other abdominal organs was discovered.

The President stood the operation well. His pulse was 130, of a good quality, and his condition at the close of the operation was gratifying to the physicians.

The President, though guarded well by the secret service detectives, was exposed to attacks of this kind. He stood at the edge of the raised dais upon which stands the great pipe organ of the Temple structure. Crowds of people thronged in at the various entrances, fought their way up to obtain a glance at the executive, perhaps shake his hand and then fight their way out again through the crowd.

The President was in a cheerful mood, and was enjoying to the full the evidences of good will that were shown on every side. On his right stood John C. Milburn, and on his left was Secretary Cortelyou.

It was shortly after 4 p. m., when one of the throng which surrounded him, a medium sized man of ordinary appearance approached as if to greet him. It was noticed that one of his hands were swathed in a bandage or handkerchief. He worked his way up to the dais through the crowd.

When within two feet of the President he stopped. The President smiled and bowed and extended his hand. Then there rang out the sharp crack of a pistol that was heard over the shuffling of the crowd and the cheers that rang out from time to time. There was an instant of almost complete silence. The President stood stock still, hesitating and bewildered.

Then came a reaction and he dropped back into the arms of the detective who was near. Three bystanders, two of them detectives and the third a negro who had just shaken his hand leaped on the assassin and bore him to the floor. His revolver was taken from him and he was placed under arrest.

There are strong hopes of the President's recovery. His magnificent constitution and the way in which he bore his suffering are strong points in his favor. Mrs. McKinley stands the shock and the strain excellently and her fortitude has been a surprise to those who know best the state of her health.

SECRETARY GAGE

Will Hurry East From Chicago to Buffalo.

Washington, Sept. 7.—(Spl.)—Assistant Secretary Gage of the Treasury Department received a message last night from Secretary Gage at Chicago stating that he was about to leave at once for Buffalo, where he arrived this morning.

IN AKRON.

How the First News Was Received.

Came In a Special to the Democrat.

A Terrible Shock to the Whole Public.

How the News Was Given to the People.

The news of the shooting of President McKinley was first received in Akron at 3:50 p. m. Friday, coming in a special dispatch to the Daily Democrat. Five minutes later the constant telephone calls the Democrat received showed how fast the information had spread. In 14 minutes an extra edition of the Democrat was on the streets with the earliest news of the calamity.

From then on until 11 o'clock the Democrat's bulletins were surrounded by an anxious throng and until a late hour the streets were filled with people who talked of but one thing.

Not one word of comment on the dreadful affair was heard which did not express sincere regret for the dastardly act or anger at him who committed it.

A second extra of the Democrat followed the first as rapidly as news was received. In the meantime the telephone companies' operators had communicated the first news to their

patrons and at nearly every supper table in Akron the fact that the President had been assassinated was known and talked about.

Soon false reports were circulating. Frequently it was reported that the President was dead.

At 6:50 o'clock the Democrat's third extra was issued containing a more detailed account of the shooting and the capture of the assassin.

Thousands of people were down town in the evening to secure extra editions of the papers to read the bulletins and to talk of the attempt on the President's life. All evening repeated inquiries by telephone came to the newspapers and to the Exchange operators asking concerning the President's condition.

At 10 o'clock the Democrat's fourth extra edition was issued, containing a complete description of the Anarchist assassin and the manner in which he had waited an opportunity to perpetrate his crime.

FROM MR. BRYAN.

"Worse Since the Act Was That of a Sane Person."

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 7.—(Spl.)—Following the receipt of the news of the attempt on the President's life, W. J. Bryan sent a brief message to President McKinley expressing his concern. Mr. Bryan, Friday night, gave out the following statement:

"The attempted assassination of the President is a shock to the entire country, and he and his wife are the recipients of universal sympathy. The dispatches say the shot was fired by an insane man and it is hoped that this is true, for while it is a terrible thing for a President to be the victim of the act of a maniac, it would be even worse for him to be fired upon by a sane person, prompted by malice or revenge. In a republic where the people elect their officials and can remove them there can be no excuse for a resort to violence. If our President were in constant fear of plots and conspiracies we would soon sink to the level of those nations in which force is the only weapon of the government and the only weapon of the government's enemies."